reservation to backward classes in four States of the South. Keeping in view the efficiency, whether Government would try to have a talk with the Chief Ministers to implement reservation where it has not been implemented to make the administration more efficient?

SHRI SITARAM KESRI: Mr. Speaker, Sir, the suggestion made by the hon. Member is constructive.. (*Interruptions*)

[*English*]

MR. SPEAKER: This is a sort of assurance given to you.

[*Translation*]

SHRI RABI RAY: He has not mentioned the names of those States.

SHRI SITARAM KESRI: I am telling you-Arunachal Pradesh, Jammu and Kashmir, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Orissa, Sikkim, Tripura and West Bengal. (*Interruptions*)

MR. SPEAKER: As the time is short, you please sit down.

[*English*]

SHRI ANBARASU ERA: I would like to pose a very very important question. At present, the benefit of a certain percentage of reservation is given to the Backward Class, Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes etc. But they do not get employment for a very long time. The number of registered persons in the Employment Exchange goes to some lakhs. But there are also some restrictions to get employment. For example, an age-limit of 25 years has been fixed for the general candidates; 35 years has been fixed for the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes. I feel that these restrictions have no meaning. Therefore, I would like to know from the hon. Minister whether he is prepared to consider to abolish the age-restriction totally or to relax it because it is very difficult to get employment within that period before crossing the age-limit.

[*Translation*]

SHRI SITARAM KESRI: Mr. Speaker, Sir, there is no fact behind his apprehension. Efforts are being made and that it would be done definitely. Reservation has also been provided to the handicapped in the society to make them capable. Our Government is committed to it.

SHRI RAM NAGINA MISHRA: Mr. Speaker, Sir, hundreds of people have committed self-immolation on reservation issue. A petition was filed in the Supreme Court and stay order was given for not implementing it. I would like to know from the hon. Minister the decision the Government of India has taken. There are reports that the reservation will be given to economically backward people in backward classes or other classes. Will the reservation be given only to these people or will it be given to the poor in high castes also? Are you contemplating to submit an affidavit in the Supreme Court after thinking on these lines?

SHRI SITARAM KESRI: Mr. Speaker, Sir, the first priority will be given to the poor among socially and educationally backward classes. If suitable candidates are not available, the benefits of reservation would be given to people belonging to high caste people who are socially or educationally backward. The same provision is also there in 10 per cent reservation for economically backwards.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

[*Translation*]

Max-C-Dot Facility in ujjain, Madhya Pradesh

*246. SHRI SATYANARAYAN JATIYA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the action taken by the Government to install and provide MAX-C-DOT electronic exchange in Ujjain, Madhya Pradesh; and

(b) whether this facility is likely to be provided before the 'Kumbh Mela' to be held their in April, 1992?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) An electronic exchange of C-DOT MAX type of 2000 lines capacity is planned to be installed in Ujjain in Madhya Pradesh in the year 1992-93. The exchange in planned to be expanded to 4000 lines subsequently.

(b) No, Sir. It would be difficult to commission the C-DOT MAX exchange at Ujjain before the Kumbh Mela. However, an electronic exchange of different type is being provided to meet the immediate requirement of telephones for the Kumbh Mela in Ujjain.

[*English*]

Delivery of Dak in Multi-Storeyed Buildings in Mumbai

*247. SHRI RAM NAIK: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to reconsider the decision to stop door delivery of unregistered postal articles in multi-storeyed buildings in Mumbai;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government have laid down some guidelines for implementing the above decision; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI RAJESH PILOT):(a) No Sir, Government is not stopping door delivery of unregistered mail in multistoreyed buildings in Bombay. The decision is to the effect that such mail will be delivered to addressees on floors, other than the ground floor, into their Mail Box Installed on the ground floor. This decision is not under reconsideration except that the date of effect of the order has been postponed by two months to January 1, 1992 to give more time to those who have not installed Mail Box, to comply with the requirement.

(b) In view of the reply (a) above, does not arise.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) The guidelines for implementing the order are as follows:

i) Minimum dimensions of Mail Box have been prescribed.

ii) Appeal was made to the public for voluntary compliance.

iii) All addresses in storeyed buildings other than those on the ground floor will be collected.

iv) Those who have not provided Mail Box on the ground floor will be addressed to provide Box by the appointed date.

Road Encroachment in Capital

*248. SHRI ARJUN SINGH YADAV: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether attention of the Government has been drawn to the news item appearing in the Indian Express dated July 13, 1991 regarding road encroachments in Capital;

(b) if so, the details of the points brought